1986-2023
GOLD AMERICAN EAGLE
PROOF COINS
A Brief History of Gold and Gold Coinage

Since pre-historic times, gold has been highly prized for its beauty, utility and durability. It may have been the very first metal used by human civilization. Gold’s first use was likely in and around Egypt, and it is even referenced several times in Old Testament Biblical texts. By 14th Century B.C., gold was so popular that King Tushratta of Mitanni, near modern-day Syria, remarked that gold was as “common as dust.”

It was first exploited during the age of King Midas and by about 643 B.C., the world’s first gold coins began appearing. Centuries later, European exploitation of gold was initially triggered by reports of an abundance of gold ornaments routinely displayed by native people throughout Peru, Colombia and Central America.

For centuries, gold has been widely considered one of the most precious metals. For this reason, it has become the de facto standard for many of the world’s most well-known and stable currencies. Geologically speaking, gold was relatively easy to obtain in ancient times. In medieval times, alchemists attempted to turn alternate substances, like lead, into gold by using a “philosopher’s stone.” While these attempts failed, their activities laid the groundwork for the sciences of chemistry. Nineteenth century history is full of accounts of various gold rushes, most notably in California, Colorado, Alaska and Australia.

Limited Supply

It is estimated that 75% of all gold ever produced throughout history has been mined since 1910. One anecdotal estimate suggests that all the gold produced would form a cube measuring approximately 66 feet on all sides.

The World Gold Council estimates the total world gold supply at 3,859 tons. Because of its durability and historically high value, virtually all of the gold ever produced throughout history is still in circulation. In fact, it is estimated that about 15% of the world’s annual gold consumption is recycled gold.
Silver and gold coins were first used during King Croesus's 6th Century B.C. reign in Lydia. The practice quickly spread to the Greek Empire. When Alexander the Great consolidated the Greek Empire 200 years later, he seized over 700,000 troy ounces in gold coinage from the Persian Empire. Gold Coinage was in full swing during the Roman Empire, with the Romans minting gold coins on a historic scale. After the fall of the Roman Empire, it took 1,000 years for gold coinage to make a comeback.

By 1200, Venice began to emerge as an economic trading power and was a conduit for gold coinage as a means for trade settlement. By 1284, Venice had established its own gold mint and began producing the ducat, which was the premier gold coinage throughout the known world for the next five centuries. New gold discoveries led to all the major European powers minting their own gold coinage during that time.

The diversity of coinage continued as new supplies of gold were discovered in Africa and the Americas. However, silver dominated gold until about 1690. With the discovery of new gold in Brazil, gold coins again became more prized than silver coinage. During his tenure as Master of the Mint, Sir Isaac Newton set the official gold standard in 1717, which lasted until the outbreak of World War I. The final triumph of gold over silver occurred during the gold rushes in America and Australia, during which virtually all gold that was mined was turned into gold coinage.

By 1900, the United States had switched from a bimetallic silver and gold standard to a single gold standard. With the outbreak of WWI, nations began to greatly limit their gold and coin production. Even private ownership was restricted. Until recent years, gold coin production remained restricted and gold coins are rarely ever used as tender. Gold coins do, however, remain popular with investors and collectors.

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THE GOLD AMERICAN EAGLE: The Pride of the U.S. Mint

President Franklin Roosevelt signed Executive Order 6102 in 1933, making private ownership of gold by U.S. citizens illegal. More than 40 years later, President Ford repealed Roosevelt’s order, restoring Americans’ right to own gold, though the availability of coins was limited until President Reagan authorized the U.S. Mint to produce gold coins again.

The Gold American Eagle family consists of four sizes and denominations: $5, $10, $25, and $50 coins. The legal tender denominations are largely symbolic because the value of the gold content well exceeds its face value. Each $50 Gold Eagle contains one full Troy ounce of gold, while the smaller denominations consist of 1/10, 1/4, and 1/2 Troy ounces respectively.

The Gold Eagle’s obverse (front) features an updated rendition of Augustus Saint-Gaudens’ classic walking Lady Liberty. The reverse side features a family of eagles with the male eagle grasping an olive branch and flying above a female nesting with her hatchlings. The type 2 reverse design, introduced in 2021, features a close-up portrait of an eagle.

The Gold American Eagle Proofs

The U.S. Mint also produces a proof version of the Gold Eagles identical to the business strike coins. The only design detail unique to the Proof versions is the “W” mintmark beneath the date, which means the coin was produced at West Point, New York. Like the business strikes, the Proofs are also available in four denominations.

In creating brilliant Proof coins, the U.S. Mint undertakes a specialized minting process, which begins by manually feeding burnished coin blanks into presses fitted with special dies, which strike the coins to create the features. To create the effect of detailed images floating above a mirror-like field, each coin is struck multiple times. After minting, each coin undergoes intense scrutiny for production flaws. After passing inspection, each Proof coin is sealed and documented with an individual Document of Authenticity by the U.S. government.
The Price of Gold

People often ask if the price of gold goes up. When President Nixon took the Dollar off the gold standard in 1971, the price began changing in real time like a stock. There have been periods of growth and some periods of price contraction. Still, the price has generally moved upward over time. The reason is that gold is a unique commodity that doesn’t change over time. An ounce of gold today is the same as an ounce of gold 1,000 years ago. The increase in the price of gold is an accurate measure of the Dollar’s loss of purchasing power. Predicting the long-term gold price is determining if the Dollar will gain or lose purchasing power.
The Importance of Certification

For discerning collectors, condition is of paramount importance. It could be said that the essence of vintage value for virtually any collectible is “history, supply and condition.” In certifying a coin, all aspects of a coin’s characteristics are carefully considered and scrupulously examined, including authenticity, condition and pedigree if applicable. After a coin has completed the inspection and certification stage, it is then sonically sealed in an individual tamper-evident holder and documented with its own serial number to ensure its authenticity.

Ungraded proof and burnished coins can be purchased from the U.S. Mint. The only way to determine if a proof coin is genuinely perfect is for professional grading companies like the NGC or PGCS to grade the coins. Grading companies use the Sheldon scale to assign a numerical value between 1-70, reflecting the quality of the coin; A “1” rating is a coin in horrible condition, and a “70” is a pristine, museum-quality coin with zero blemishes at five times magnification.
Ed Moy Signature Series Gold American Eagle Proof 70 Coins

The U.S. Gold Bureau has partnered with the former director of the United States Mint, Edmund C. Moy, to offer hand-signed certification labels on proof versions of America’s #1 investment coin, the Gold American Eagle. Gold American Eagle coins certified in perfect “Proof 70” condition are highly sought after and have shown a track record of superior investment performance. Coins that are part of the Ed Moy Signature Series are even rarer, with population figures much smaller than the unsigned versions of the coin, which adds to their investment potential even more.

In addition to being the 38th director of the U.S. Mint, Ed Moy is a well-known author, economist, and public speaker. He served as Special Assistant to President George W. Bush for more than five years and assisted with the transition to the new U.S. Department of Homeland Security after the September 11 attacks in 2001.

During Moy’s first year as director, the U.S. Mint sold more than $1 billion in numismatic coins and struck over 16 billion coins in total. During his tenure, the financial crisis and recession spurred an unprecedented demand for gold and silver. The State Quarter Program, Presidential $1 Coin, and the National Parks Quarters were all milestones of Moy’s term with the U.S. Mint.
Ed Moy Signature Series Gold American Eagle Proof 70 Coins

Coins with the Ed Moy signature labels have made headlines due to their extreme popularity and premiums investors are willing to pay at auction. The Ed Moy Signature Series of Gold American Eagle Proof 70 coins have been very well-received by the market and can be an excellent way to diversify your precious metals investment portfolio.

Ed Moy Signature Series Gold American Eagle Proof 70 coins are available individually, as 4-coin sets, and even as a full Date Run featuring one of each Gold American Eagle proof minted since 1986. Demand for these hand-signed coins is strong and is expected to grow as investors and collectors realize the tremendous investment potential of the series. Please contact us for more information about this incredible opportunity available exclusively through the U.S. Gold Bureau.
The Classic Group
1986 - 1991

The Gold American Eagle coins of the Classic Group (spanning from 1986 to 1991) have seen exceptional investment performance, with yearly price increases ranging from nearly 10% to 20%, far above average returns in the stock market or even the gold bullion market.

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Space Shuttle Challenger disintegrates 73 seconds after launch, killing the crew of 7 astronauts, including schoolteacher Christa McAuliffe.

APRIL 29
Roger Clemens sets the record for the most strikeouts in a 9-inning MLB game, striking out 20 batters.

MARCH 25
The 58th Academy Awards are held in Los Angeles, California, with Out of Africa winning Best Picture.

NOVEMBER 3
Iran–Contra affair: The Lebanese magazine Ash-Shiraa reports that the U.S. has been selling weapons to Iran in secret, in order to secure the release of 7 American hostages held by pro-Iranian groups in Lebanon.
1987

**PROOF 70 POPULATION**

1,714

**Size and Denominations:**

- $25 1/2 oz.
- $50 1 oz.

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**JANUARY 8**
The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 2,000 for the first time, gaining 8.30 to close at 2,002.25.

**MARCH 2**
American Motors Corporation is acquired by the Chrysler Corporation.

**MARCH 29**
World Wrestling Entertainment presented Wrestle Mania III in the Pontiac Silverdome in Detroit, Michigan. The event was attended by over 90,000 people and set an all-time indoor attendance record.

**OCTOBER 26**
The Dow Jones Industrial Average goes down 156.83 points; at the time it is the second largest decrease ever (trailing Black Monday).
MARCH 16
First Republic Bank of Texas fails and enters FDIC receivership, the second largest FDIC assisted bank failure to date.

MARCH 26
U.S. presidential candidate Jesse Jackson defeats Michael Dukakis in the Michigan Democratic caucuses, becoming the temporary front-runner for the party's nomination.

MAY 31
U.S. President Ronald Reagan addresses 600 Moscow State University students, during his visit to the Soviet Union.

SEPTEMBER 29
NASA resumes space shuttle flights, grounded after the Space Shuttle Challenger disaster, with Space Shuttle Discovery.

NOVEMBER 30
Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. buys RJR Nabisco for US$25.07 billion in the biggest leveraged buyout deal of all time.
1989

**PROOF 70 POPULATION**

1,174

**Size and Denominations:**

- **$5**
  - 1/10 oz.
- **$10**
  - 1/4 oz.
- **$25**
  - 1/2 oz.
- **$50**
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**MARCH 4**
Time, Inc. and Warner Communications announce plans for a merger, forming Time Warner.

**APRIL 14**
The U.S. government seizes the Lincoln Savings and Loan Association as part of the massive S&L Crisis that cost taxpayers nearly $200 billion in bailouts, and many people their life savings.

**MARCH 24**
Exxon Valdez oil spill: In Alaska's Prince William Sound, the Exxon Valdez spills 240,000 barrels (11 million gallons) of oil after running aground.

**OCTOBER 13**
Friday the 13th mini-crash: The Dow Jones Industrial Average plunges 190.58 points, or 6.91 percent, to close at 2,569.26, most likely after the junk bond market collapses.

**DECEMBER 20**
Operation Just Cause is launched in an attempt to overthrow Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega.
1990

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Leonard Bernstein conducts his final concert, ending with Ludwig van Beethoven’s Symphony No. 7 performed by the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

SEPTEMBER 29
Washington National Cathedral is completed after 83 years of construction.

March 18
Twelve paintings, collectively worth from $100 to $300 million, are stolen from the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston, Massachusetts by 2 thieves posing as police officers. This is the largest art theft in U.S. history.

April 24
The Space Shuttle Discovery places the Hubble Space Telescope into orbit.

Size and Denominations:

- $5 1/10 oz.
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Proof 70 Population: 1,113
1991

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  - Gulf War: Operation Desert Storm begins with air strikes against Iraq.

- **MARCH 13**
  - The United States Department of Justice announces that Exxon has agreed to pay $1 billion for the clean-up of the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska.

- **APRIL 17**
  - The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 3,000 for the first time ever, at 3,004.46.

- **SEPTEMBER 2**
  - Dissolution of the Soviet Union: The United States recognizes the independence of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

- **DECEMBER 25–26**
  - The Cold War ends as President of the Soviet Union Mikhail Gorbachev resigns and the Soviet Union dissolves.
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APRIL 6
Microsoft releases Windows 3.1 introducing various enhancements to the still MS-DOS-based platform.

MAY 25
Jay Leno becomes the new host of NBC’s Tonight Show, following the retirement of Johnny Carson.

MARCH 18
On CNN’s Larry King Live, Texas billionaire H. Ross Perot announces that he will run for U.S. President as an independent, if volunteers put him on the ballot in all 50 states.

AUGUST 24-28
Hurricane Andrew hits south Florida and dissipates over the Tennessee valley, killing 65 and causing $26.5 billion in damage.
JANUARY 20
Bill Clinton succeeds George H. W. Bush as the 42nd President of the United States.

FEBRUARY 26
World Trade Center bombing: In New York City, a van bomb parked below the North Tower of the World Trade Center explodes, killing 6 and injuring over 1,000.

FEBRUARY 28
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents raid the Branch Davidian compound in Waco, Texas. Four agents and 5 Davidians die in the raid and a 51-day standoff begins.

SEPTEMBER 6
Canadian software specialist Peter de Jager publishes in ComputerWorld magazine an article Doomsday 2000, which is the first known reference to Y2K – the 2000 Year problem.

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1994

**FEBRUARY 22**
Aldrich Ames and his wife are charged with spying for the Soviet Union by the United States Department of Justice.

**APRIL 22**
Former President Richard Nixon dies at 81. He is buried at his presidential library on April 26.

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**JUNE 22**
The Houston Rockets defeat the New York Knicks at The Summit in Texas in Game 7 of the 1993–94 NBA season, to win their first NBA Championship.

**JUNE 23**
NFL star O.J. Simpson and his friend Al Cowlings flee from police in a white Ford Bronco. The low-speed chase ends at Simpson’s Los Angeles, California mansion, where he surrenders.

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1,520

JANUARY 31
U.S. President Bill Clinton invokes emergency powers to extend a $20 billion loan to help Mexico avert financial collapse.

APRIL 19
Oklahoma City bombing: 168 people, including 8 Federal Marshals and 19 children, are killed at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. Timothy McVeigh and one of his accomplices, Terry Nichols, set off the bomb.

MARCH 1
Yahoo! is founded in Santa Clara, California.

AUGUST 24
Microsoft releases Windows 95.

NOVEMBER 14–19
A budget standoff between Democrats and Republicans in Congress forces the federal government to temporarily close national parks and museums, and run most government offices with skeleton staff.
PROOF 70 POPULATION

973

Size and Denominations:

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$25
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$50
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FEBRUARY 17

MAY 11
After takeoff from Miami, Florida, a fire in the cargo hold of Atlanta-bound ValuJet Flight 592 causes the Douglas DC-9 to crash in the Florida Everglades, killing all 110 on board.

AUGUST 26
Bill Clinton signs welfare reform into law.

APRIL 9
President Bill Clinton signs the Line Item Veto Act of 1996, granting the U.S. president line-item veto power. The Supreme Court of the United States later finds this law unconstitutional.

JULY 27
The Centennial Olympic Park bombing at the 1996 Summer Olympics kills 1 and injures 111.

NOVEMBER 26
The Sands Hotel in Las Vegas is imploded to make way for the Venetian Hotel.

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Madeleine Albright becomes the first female Secretary of State, after confirmation by the United States Senate.

JUNE 12
The United States Department of the Treasury unveils a new $50 bill, meant to be more difficult to counterfeit.

OCTOBER 4
Loomis Fargo Bank Robbery: The second largest cash robbery in U.S. history occurs at the Charlotte, North Carolina office of Wells Fargo. An FBI investigation eventually results in 24 convictions and the recovery of approximately 95% of the stolen cash.

OCTOBER 27
Stock markets around the world crash because of a global economic crisis scare. The Dow Jones Industrial Average follows suit and plummets 554.26, or 7.18%, to 7,161.15. The points loss exceeds the loss from Black Monday. Officials at the New York Stock Exchange for the first time invoke the “circuit breaker” rule to stop trading.
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**MAY 18**
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**APRIL 7**
Citicorp and Travelers Group announce plans to merge, creating the largest financial services conglomerate in the world, Citigroup.

**AUGUST 20**
The United States military launches cruise missile attacks against Al-Qaeda camps in Afghanistan and a suspected chemical plant in Sudan in retaliation for the August 7 bombings of American embassies in Kenya and Tanzania.

**NOVEMBER 9**
In the largest civil settlement in United States history, a federal judge approves a $1.03 billion settlement requiring dozens of brokerage houses (including Merrill Lynch, Goldman Sachs, and Salomon Smith Barney) to pay investors who claim they were cheated in a widespread price-fixing scheme on the NASDAQ.

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AUGUST 2
The House of Representatives approves oil exploration in the Alaskan Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

SEPTEMBER 11
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Enron files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection five days after Dynegy cancels a $8.4 billion buyout bid.
JANUARY 9
The United States Department of Justice announces it will pursue a criminal investigation of Enron.

JULY 21
Telecommunications giant WorldCom files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, the largest such filing in United States history.

OCTOBER 9
The dot-com bubble bear market reaches bottom, when the Dow Jones Industrial Average slips below 7,200.

MAY 10
FBI agent Robert Hanssen is sentenced to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole for selling American secrets to Moscow for $1.4 million in cash and diamonds.

AUGUST 12

DECEMBER 9
United Airlines, the second largest airline in the world, files for bankruptcy.

PROOF 70 POPULATION
1,148

Size and Denominations:

$5
1/10 oz.

$10
1/4 oz.

$25
1/2 oz.

$50
1 oz.
2003

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,360

Size and Denominations:

- $5 1/10 oz.
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- $25 1/2 oz.
- $50 1 oz.

JANUARY 16
Space Shuttle Columbia is launched on what turns out to be its last flight.

MARCH 20
The U.S. led Iraq War begins.

MARCH 18
FBI agents raid the corporate headquarters of Health South Corporation in Birmingham, Alabama, on suspicion of massive corporate fraud led by the company's top executives.

JUNE 4
Martha Stewart and her broker are indicted for using privileged investment information and then obstructing a federal investigation.

OCTOBER 7
2003 California recall: Voters recall Governor Gray Davis from office and elect actor Arnold Schwarzenegger to succeed him.

DECEMBER 13
End of Operation Red Dawn resulting in the capture of Saddam Hussein in Tikrit.
1999

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The United States lifts a ban on travel to Libya, ending travel restrictions to the nation that had lasted for 23 years.

JUNE 5
Ronald Reagan, the 40th President of the United States, dies at his home in Bel-Air, California at the age of 93. A six-day state funeral follows after his death.

APRIL 29
The last Oldsmobile rolls off of the assembly line.

JULY 4
Groundbreaking of Freedom Tower in New York City.

DECEMBER 8
Lenovo announces its plan to purchase IBM’s global PC business, making it the third largest world PC maker after Dell and Hewlett-Packard.
2005

PROOF 70 POPULATION

1,685

Size and Denominations:

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- **$50** 1 oz.

**JANUARY 20**
George W. Bush is sworn in for his second term as president.

**MAY 31**
W. Mark Felt reveals himself to be the Watergate scandal whistleblower called "Deep Throat."

**JUNE 17**
Because of “quadruple-witching” options and futures expiration, the New York Stock Exchange sees the heaviest first-hour trading on record. 704 million shares are traded between 9:30–10:30 a.m. (1.92 billion shares for the day).

**AUGUST 23**
Hurricane Katrina forms over the Bahamas.

**OCTOBER 1**
The U.S. housing bubble begins to burst, causing home prices to stop rising unexpectedly and begin to decline.
20TH ANNIVERSARY THREE COIN SET
The 20th Anniversary set includes a Proof, Reverse Proof, a Mint State and are all in perfect condition. This is the first time the U.S. Mint made a reverse proof of any kind.
Original Total Mintage: 10,000

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Fiat chairman Sergio Marchionne announces that the Alfa Romeo automobile brand will return to the United States in 2008, after a 13-year hiatus.

FEBRUARY 16
The chairman of the Federal Reserve, Ben Bernanke testifies to the U.S. Senate that Chinese ownership of US assets is not large enough to put the country at risk economically.

OCTOBER 10
Google buys YouTube for $1.65 billion.
2007

**PROOF 70 POPULATION**

2,587

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Delta Air Lines creditors officially reject US Airways’ hostile takeover bid.

APRIL 17
The Pound Sterling hits a 15-year high against the US dollar, breaking through the $2 level for the first time since 1992.

JULY 19
The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 14,000 for the first time in history.

NOVEMBER 4
Daylight saving time in the United States and most of Canada will end one week later than the previous schedule, in accordance with the Energy Policy Act of 2005.
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President George W. Bush announces an economic stimulus package, proposing $800 per individual and $1600 per couple in tax refunds.

JUNE 27
After three decades as the Chairman of Microsoft Corporation, Bill Gates steps down from daily duties to concentrate on the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

APRIL 15-20
Pope Benedict XVI visits the United States. Among his destinations are the White House, The Catholic University of America, the United Nations General Assembly and the site of the fallen World Trade Center.

NOVEMBER 4
Barack Obama is elected the 44th President of the United States, becoming the first African-American President-elect.
The Ultra High Relief 2009

Many collectors and investors believe that the 24-karat 2009 Ultra High Relief Double Eagle gold coin is the most beautiful coin the U.S. Mint has ever produced. That’s why many still call it “The Perfect Gold Coin.”

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2009 ULTRA HIGH RELIEF DOUBLE EAGLE

The United States Mint announced the issue of the 2009 Ultra High Relief Double Eagle Gold Coin on March 13, 2008. This coin promises to fulfill Augustus Saint-Gaudens’ vision of an ultra high relief coin that could not be realized in 1907 with his legendary Double Eagle liberty design. Note: The Gold American Eagle proof coin was not minted in 2009 to allow the Mint to focus on this special issue.

$20
1 oz.
24-karat

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SEPTEMBER 2
The Justice Department announces the largest health care fraud settlement in history, $2.3 billion, involving Pfizer.

JANUARY 15
US Airways Flight 1549 loses power in both engines shortly after takeoff from LaGuardia, forcing the pilot to ditch the aircraft in the Hudson River. All 155 passengers and crew are rescued with no injuries, and the pilot is hailed a hero.

FEBRUARY 25
James Nicholson, the manager of an unregistered hedge fund, Westgate Capital Management, is arrested and charged in federal court with defrauding hundreds of investors in a Ponzi type scheme.

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The Resurgent Group 2010-2021

The sets in the Resurgent Group (spanning a decade between 2010 and 2021) have not had a chance to mature as much as the older sets, but they are already showing very strong growth potential, with most years already up double digits.

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MAY 6
The “flash crash” occurs at the New York Stock Exchange, temporarily depleting 1,000 points off of the Dow Jones Industrial Average. It is the largest intra-day fall ever.

JUNE 19
China announces it will raise the yuan against the U.S. Dollar after the U.S. Congress announces it will penalize China unless it does so, causing widely imported Chinese goods to the United States to become more expensive, and to raise demand for U.S. goods.

NOVEMBER 4
The U.S. Federal Reserve announces it will buy $600 billion in bonds to encourage economic growth.
2011

PROOF 70 POPULATION
1,847

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President Barack Obama announces that Osama bin Laden has been killed during an American military operation in Pakistan.

APRIL 29
An estimated two billion people watched the wedding of Prince William, Duke of Cambridge and Catherine Middleton at Westminster Abbey in London.

FEBRUARY 11
Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak resigns after widespread protests calling for his resignation, leaving control of Egypt in the hands of the military until a general election can be held.

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2012

Size and Denominations:

PROOF 70 POPULATION

2,184

JANUARY 4
The EU imposes an oil embargo on Iran to get Iran to halt uranium enrichment and end its nuclear weapons efforts.

JULY 27
The 2012 Summer Olympics open in London. More than 10,000 athletes from 205 countries participate in the Games.

SEPTEMBER 11
Armed gunmen storm the American Consulate in Libya, and shoot and kill U.S. ambassador to Libya Christopher Stevens and three other embassy officials.

MARCH 4
Vladimir Putin wins the presidential election in Russia, claiming 64% of the vote. It will be his third full term as president of Russia.

DECEMBER 12
North Korea successfully launches a rocket into orbit indicating that the country is inching closer to developing the expertise to build an intercontinental ballistic missile.
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2013

JANUARY 71
The second inauguration of Barack Obama as the 44th President of the United States.

APRIL 15
During the Boston Marathon, two pressure cooker bombs explodes killing 3 people and injuring an estimated 264 others near the finish line on Boylston Street.

FEBRUARY 11
Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Argentina becomes Pope Francis, the first non-European pontiff after Pope Benedict XVI resigned for health reasons.

OCTOBER 1 - 16
The United States Federal Government entered a shutdown and curtailed most routine operations after Congress failed to enact legislation appropriating funds for fiscal year 2014.

OCTOBER 1 - 16
South Africa's first black president and anti-apartheid icon Nelson Mandela died at the age of 95.
FEBRUARY 2
10 years ago today, a Harvard sophomore named Mark Zuckerberg created a website called The Facebook.

MARCH 8
Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 mysteriously disappears while en route to Beijing, setting off an international search and igniting fears of terrorism.

MARCH 18
Russian President Vladimir Putin states that Crimea is a part of Russia following a military incursion and hasty referendum.

FEBRUARY 7-23
The XXII Olympic Winter Games take place in Sochi, Russia.

JUNE 12 - JULY 13
The 2014 FIFA World Cup international soccer tournament takes place in Brazil.

AUGUST 24
NASA's New Horizons spacecraft crosses the orbit of Neptune after travelling for over eight years, while on its way to Pluto.

RESURGENT
United States of America
1 oz. Fine Gold - 50 Dollars
In God We Trust
E Pluribus Unum

PROOF 70 POPULATION
2,030

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JANUARY 7
Two gunmen storm the offices of the Charlie Hebdo magazine in Paris shooting several people including the magazine's editor and some of its cartoonists.

FEBRUARY 1
The New England Patriots beat the Seattle Seahawks 28-24, in the final seconds, of one of the most exciting Super Bowl games in recent history, giving MVP quarterback Tom Brady his fourth Super Bowl title.

JULY 14
NASA’s New Horizons spacecraft flies by Pluto and Charon, entering the Kuiper belt and eventually leaving the Solar System.

JANUARY 26
Causing turmoil in the financial markets with continued rejection of German-backed austerity, Alexis Tsipras swears in as the new Prime Minister of Greece.

FEBRUARY 12
Leaders from Russia, Ukraine, Germany and France reach an agreement on the conflict in eastern Ukraine that includes a ceasefire and withdrawal of heavy weapons.

PROOF 70 POPULATION
3,750

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Muhammad Ali, the three-time heavyweight champion, who became one of the most well-known and loved sportmen in history dies.

JUNE 12
Omar Mateen, a 29-year-old American security guard, killed 49 people and wounded 53 others inside Pulse, a gay nightclub in Orlando, Florida, It was both the deadliest mass shooting by a single gunman in U.S. history.

JUNE 24
Fallout from the “Brexit” vote leads to the resignation of the Prime Minister David Cameron and starts a rally in metals prices.

NOVEMBER 8
The United States elects its 45th President.
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5,188

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JANUARY 20
Donald J. Trump is inaugurated as the 45th President of the United States of America and Mike Pence as the 48th Vice President.

MARCH 29
UK Prime Minister Teresa May signs article 50 letter and sends it to the EU, formally triggering Brexit.

AUGUST 21
America experiences “The Great American Eclipse,” the first total solar eclipse since 1918 visible across the entire contiguous United States.

FEBRUARY 5
At Super Bowl LI, the New England Patriots defeat the Atlanta Falcons 34-28 in a great overtime comeback at NRG Stadium in Houston, Texas.

APRIL 7
U.S. President Trump orders missile strike on Syrian airfield after chemical weapons attack in Khan Sheikhoun.
JANUARY 1
North Korean leader Kim Jong Un started 2018 with harsh threats to use a literal "nuclear button" on his desk to hit the US if war breaks out.

FEBRUARY 5
The Stock Market drops more than 10% in less than a week, and the DOW witnesses its worst 1-day point decline in history.

FEBRUARY 13
Shaun White wins the gold medal in the men's snowboard halfpipe, making him the first American male to win gold in three different Winter Games.

MARCH 1
Official release date of the 2018 Gold American Eagle Proof 70 coin.
2019

APRIL 10
The first image of a black hole is announced by the Event Horizon Telescope, showing the M87 galaxy.

MAY 29
The U.S.'s 25% tariff hike on US$200 billion worth of Chinese imports takes effect, escalating tensions between the two nations in the ongoing China–United States trade war.

JUNE 6
75th Anniversary of D-Day.

JUNE 9
The 2019-2020 Hong Kong Protests begin.

DECEMBER 31
China reports a cluster of pneumonia cases which turn out to be the novel coronavirus.

PROOF 70 POPULATION
3,736

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2020
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The worst stock market crash since the 2008 Great Recession occurred, with another drop happening days later.

MARCH
States began shutting down non-essential businesses amidst the COVID-19 outbreak and issuing stay-at-home orders to contain the spread of the virus.

NOVEMBER 3
The election to decide who will become the next President of the United States.

AUGUST 4
After surpassing the previous all-time high, the price of gold rose above $2,000 per ounce for the first time in history.

PROOF 70 POPULATION
5,984

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**2021**

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PROOF 70 POPULATION
4,276

Size and Denominations:

FEBRUARY
Russian military forces invade Ukraine.

JUNE
Inflation reaches 9.1%, the highest inflation since 1981.

NOVEMBER
Cryptocurrency FTX collapses. Investors lost billions.

MARCH
FOMC begins raising interest rates.

DECEMBER
Interest rates climbed 4.25% since January. Stock, bond, and cryptocurrency markets ended the year with double-digit loses.
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The Senate trial in the impeachment of U.S. President Bill Clinton begins.

MARCH 25
Enron energy traders allegedly route 2,900 megawatts of electricity destined for California to the town of Silver Peak, Nevada, population 200.

MARCH 17
The Roth IRA is introduced by U.S. Senator William V. Roth Jr.

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